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# 花嫁さまへ

Bonding between those who were left by their beloved, well...

ADULT & HUMAN LOVE COLOR 36P

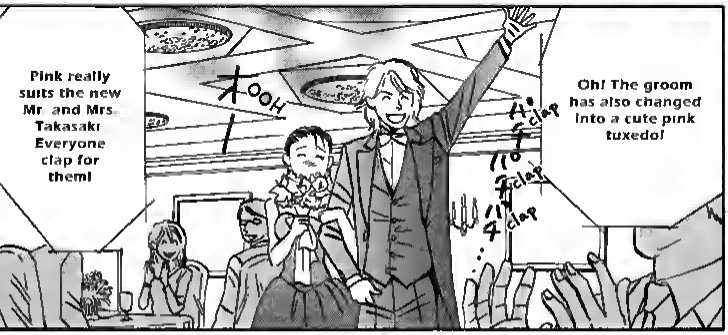
Her latest comic "Suki ni Naru to Kawareru" new on sale to rave reviews!

NISHIDA HIGASHI PRESENTS

西田 東

●個人セレクション既刊好評発売中!!
「寝る男」「恋をしましょう」「目を閉じないで」
「素晴らしい矢恵」「トント・クライ・マイ ヘイビー」

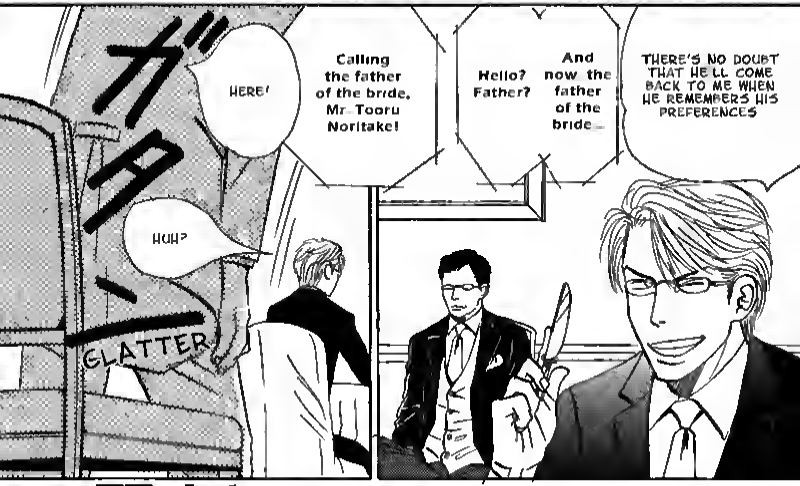
The bride looks lovely in that pink dress.
And... hm?
This is the time when the bride and groom come back in.


Pink really suits the new Mr. and Mrs. Takasaki! Everyone clap for them!
OOH
Oh! The groom has also changed into a cute pink tuxedo!
clap
clap
clap

I DON'T WANT TO BE STRAIGHT
AHHH!
I GUESS THAT GUY'S BETRAYED US AND MOVED ON TO WOMEN

And now, a letter of thanks from the bride... Nozomi-san to her father—
THREE TIMES--NO--TO BE STRICTLY HONEST IT WAS TWO AND A HALF ONE TIME IT WAS OVER IN AN INSTANT...
WHEN ALL'S SAID AND DONE HOW MANY TIMES DID YOU SLEEP WITH THE PINK GROOM?
Bwa ha ha ha!
HEY--LOOK!

DON'T INSULT ME. I'VE ONLY EVER LOOKED AT BOYS SINCE I WAS TWO YEARS OLD.
BUT TOMODA, I THOUGHT YOU WERE THE ONE WHO WANTED TO GET MARRIED TO A WOMAN...
FOR THE PROPERTY O- SOMETHING.
I EVEN DID IT WITH THE LOVEY-DOVEY PINK GROOM.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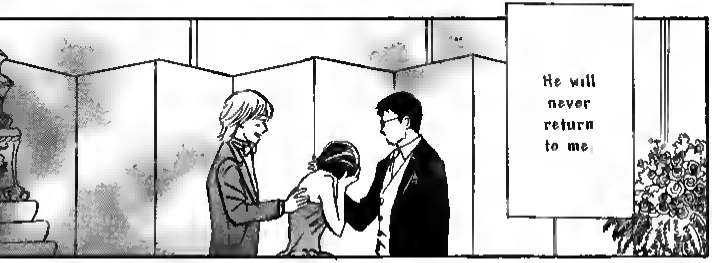
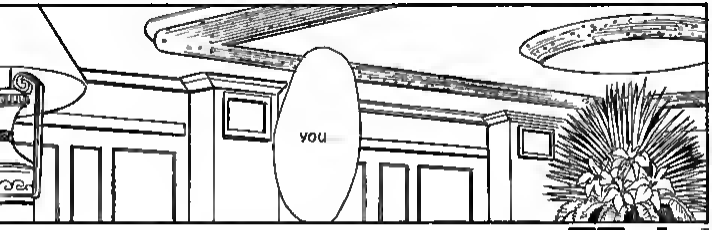
GLATTER
HUH?
HERE!
Calling the father of the bride, Mr. Tooru Noritake!
Hello? Father?
And now the father of the bride—
THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT HE'LL COME BACK TO ME WHEN HE REMEMBERS HIS PREFERENCES

THE DRINKS WENT STRAIGHT TO MY HEAD, SO I NEEDED A MINUTE
I'M COMING NOW
Well, well, how unusual for the father to leave his seat.
Over here, please!
.....
H-HEY. HEY WASN'T HE BEHIND US ALL THIS WHILE?
I THOUGHT HE WAS SLEEPING
TO THINK THAT HE WAS THE BRIDE'S DAD
COULD HE HEAR OUR HOMO TALK? DAMN--
LET'S GO BACK HOME, SINCE WE'VE FINISHED EATING
SEE YA LATER TOMODA-KUNNN!
W-WAI-WAI--

Still...
AND ON TOP OF THAT, WE MADE ALL THAT NOISE ABOUT HER HUSBAND BEING A HOMO...
Father,
Thank you for raising me as a single father all by yourself up until now
OOOH I NEVER KNEW
SO, HER DAD HAS WORKED AT AN IMPORTANT BANK FROM THE BEGINNING... AND IT SEEMS HE WAS OPPOSED TO THE MARRIAGE
...SHINYA
Six years ago, when mom died in an accident I was a troublesome daughter, since all I could do was cry—
Still, he probably won't come back...
YOU IDIOT
YOU'RE NOT MY ONLY PLAY-MATE
THERE'S THIS WOMAN I FELL IN LOVE WITH SO I CAN'T BE YOUR LOVER ANY-MORE
SORRY
THERE'S SOMEONE I LIKE
I...
I'D BE HAPPY IF YOU CHEERED ME ON
IS THAT SO? SORRY
IT WAS ONE-SIDED AFTER ALL...

"I TRULY LOVE HER..."
Even if the bride's father feels uneasy or if anyone else is against this...


He will never return to me.


YOU...

EXCUSE ME
YOU USED TO BE KAZUYUKI-KUN'S FRIEND DIDN'T YOU?
YES?
AS YOU CAN SEE--- I'M NORITAKE, THE BRIDE'S FATHER.
ERRR...
A FRIEND? MORE LIKE A COUSIN'S RELATIVE'S COUSIN'S SECOND COUSIN'S FRIEND'S RELATIVE'S FRIEND'S STAND-IN
HAVING OVERHEARD YOUR CONVERSATION IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, YOU'RE TOMODA-SAN.
ON THE GUEST LIST, THERE'S KAZUYUKI-KUN'S WORK ASSOCIATE, SHINYA TOMODA
SORRY IT'LL BE TIME TO GO SOON SO YOU'LL HAVE TO EXCUSE ME.
CERTAINLY
STEP

I
Coming out as gay to an old guy like this...
I don't want to say "yes" or "no" to this rock-like old man.
I DON'T KNOW ...
I HAVE A MEETING I NEED TO BE AT.
BUT I HAVE SOMETHING I WANT TO ASK YOU
Whoa ...
EXCUSE ME
IF YOU CALL MY SECRETARY 30 MINUTES BEFORE, I'LL MAKE TIME FOR YOU
THIS IS MY PLACE OF WORK. PLEASE COME AT A TIME THAT'S CONVENIENT FOR YOU.
YES?
step
step
step
NORITAKE-SAN...?

I'M NEITHER YOUR SUBORDINATE NOR YOUR SON-IN-LAW.
IF YOU WANT ME TO TALK TO YOU, IT WOULD BE LOGICAL TO COME TO ME.
MY BUSI-NESS CARD.
SNAP
EX-CUSE ME
WELL, THEN.
IF YOU CALL MY OFFICE 30 MINUTES BEFORE, I'LL MAKE TIME FOR YOU.
Shit

Despite meaning to cut off contact with him after the wedding,
how did I manage to get involved with his bride's father?
...AND ON TOP OF THAT...
NOZOMI & KAZU
A TABLE SETTING WITH THE COUPLE'S NAME ON IT--
THAT'S THE LAST THING ON EARTH I NEED.
AND IT'S HARD TO GET RID OF I THOUGHT MAYBE I COULD USE IT AT WORK, BUT
THINKING FURTHER IT'S NOT EVEN USEFUL FOR COOKING IT'S A HINDRANCE
I'LL JUST THROW IT AWAY
SOOORRY, IDIOTIC PINK COUPLE
CRACK
NOZOMI & KAZUYU
麗人
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I'VE COME TO ASK YOU TO SPEAK WITH ME
HUH?
Hello, it's Noritake
ding dong
STARTLE
I'M A FREELANCER IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SOME PEOPLE AND WE SHARE THIS WORKSPACE
EVEN THOUGH YOU CALLED IT YOUR OFFICE, IT'S AN ORDINARY CONDO, ISN'T IT? HAVE YOU SET IT UP AS A WORKPLACE?
OH, THIS IS MY ASSOCIATE'S SPACE
IS THAT SO? WELL--
IT'S ON MY WAY HOME FROM WORK IT'S ALL RIGHT IF I COME IN, ISN'T IT?
EVEN THOUGH I HAD PLANNED TO PUT HIM OFF WHEN HE CALLED--
WAI- I ASKED YOU TO CALL BEFORE COMING
DASH
WAI- WAI- WAI- DON'T JUST COME IN WITHOUT PERMISSION!

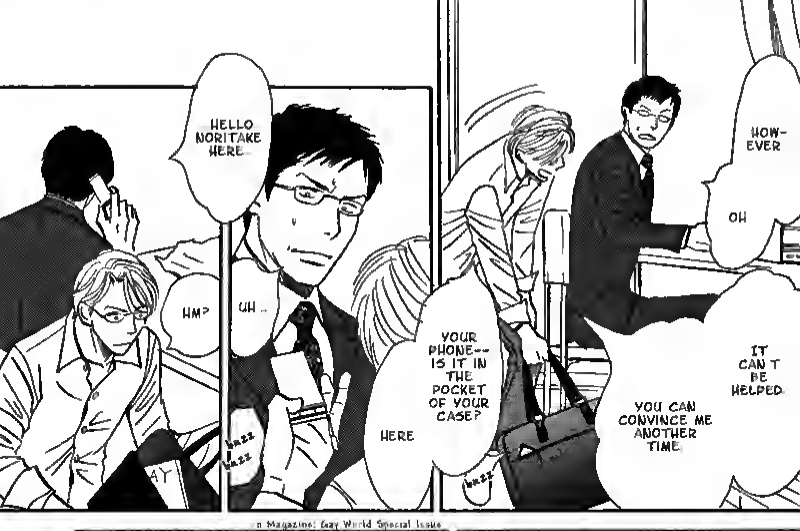
THUD
DO YOU HAVE A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THAT MAN?
"THAT MAN?"
ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT KAZUYUKI?
HE'S YOUR SON
"rustle" "rustle"
A PECULIAR LEANING YOU MEAN?
YOU DON'T WANT TO HEAR WHAT I HAVE TO SAY BUT--
YOU WERE ALSO ABANDONED BY HIM, WEREN'T YOU?
WELL-- AT THIS POINT WHAT USE ARE EVASIONS?
BUT EVERYONE HAS A PAST EVEN YOU
MY DAUGHTER HAS NO INDECENT PAST
TO SAY NOTHING OF THE PECULIAR KIND OF PAST YOU'RE SPEAKING OF--
WHAT? OH-- THAT CONVERSATION AT THE RECEPTION
THAT WAS--
THIS PLATE--
WASN'T IT A GIFT?
IYAZUYA

I MEAN
Y-YOU'RE WRONG ABOUT THE PLATE
HE'S NOT THE KIND OF MAN TO ABANDON SOME--
NO! YOU'RE WRONG!
SNATCH
I BROKE THE PLATE BY ACCI-DENT
HUH?
OH!
MY FINGER
I'M SORRY I'M FINE BUT YOUR HANDKER-CHIEF IS
RRRR
EXCUSE ME
IS
click

YES?
THIS IS TOMODA THANKS FOR YOUR BUSINESS
YES THE F-TYPE SAMPLES WERE WRONG ALL THIS WEEK
YES, THE DIAMETER OF 7 S WAS FINE
THE TEST IS ON WEDNESDAY?
YES WELL THAT'S ALL OF IT
WILL DO
LIKE KAZUYUKI I'M A DESIGNER
I DESIGN TOOLS AND PARTS
I'M A SIMPLE MECHANIC
YOU CAN LOOK BUT IT'S PROBABLY NOT VERY INTERESTING TO YOU
NOT AT ALL OUR OCCUPATIONS MAY NOT BE CLOSELY RELATED
BUT IT'S VERY CHALLENGING WORK
SOMEONE LIKE ME WHO IS A DROPOUT FROM AN ENGINEERING CORPORATION ISN'T DOING IMPRESSIVE THINGS LIKE YOU
麗人
REIJIN

AND THREE YEARS LATER MY MOTHER BECAME BEDRIDDEN
WHEN SHE WAS 15, MY WIFE DIED AND EVERYTHING CHANGED MY PARENTS TOOK CARE OF HER
FIRST MY FATHER COLLAPSED
NOZOMI
ALL ALONG I'VE SHORTCHANGED MY DAUGHTER
NOT AT ALL
I'M NOT THAT IMPRESSIVE AT ALL
NO MATTER HOW MANY JOBS I FOUND
NOZOMI
...!
NOZOMI!
AFTER THOSE TWO DIED SHE WENT TO UNIVERSITY SHE STUDIED NURSING THEN SHE BEGAN WORKING AS A NURSE
SHE TOOK A DIFFICULT PATH OF HER OWN FREE WILL
BECAUSE I WAS THEIR CHILD
I WAS DEFINITELY INDEBTED TO THEM
A NURSE?
SHE WAS A GENUINELY KIND CHILD
SINCE SHE WAS SMALL SHE WOULD NEVER ABANDON ANYONE WHETHER THEY WERE FRAIL KIDS OR PEOPLE WHO WERE IN TROUBLE

AT THE RECEPTION
buzz buzz buzz
buzz buzz buzz
YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO SCORE WITH HER RIGHT?
OH-- I SEE NOW-- I HEAR NURSES ARE PRETTY LOW-PAID.
SHE'S AN AMAZINGLY CHEERFUL AND LIVELY GIRL.
SHE CAME TO TAKE CARE OF MY GRANDFATHER
WHERE DID YOU MEET THIS NURSE?
MY DAUGHTER IS MORE IMPORTANT
YOUR PHONE HAS BEEN RINGING SINCE JUST NOW. GO AHEAD AND ANSWER IT.
SHE SAID I HAD RAISED HER ALONE AS A SINGLE FATHER, BUT IT WAS ACTUALLY THE COMPLETE REVERSE
IT'S THE MIDDLE OF THE WORK DAY, AFTER ALL.
buzz buzz buzz
buzz buzz buzz
buzz buzz buzz
buzz buzz buzz
PLEASE ANSWER YOUR PHONE
BECAUSE I CAN'T TRUST THAT MAN NO MATTER WHAT.
I WOULD RATHER DIE THAN SEE HER UNHAPPY
AFTER MY DAUGHTER LEFT HOME, I REALIZED FOR THE FIRST TIME...


HELLO NORITAKE HERE
UH...
HM?
buzz buzz
YOUR PHONE-- IS IT IN THE POCKET OF YOUR CASE?
HERE
buzz
HOW-EVER
OH
IT CAN'T BE HELPED
YOU CAN CONVINCE ME ANOTHER TIME

G-GIVE IT BACK PLEASE I NEED TO RETURN TO MY OFFICE
WAIT! THAT'S
I WAS JUST STUDYING IF MY DAUGHTER'S HUSBAND HAS PECULIAR INCLINATIONS
WILL YOU REALLY MAKE TIME FOR ME!?

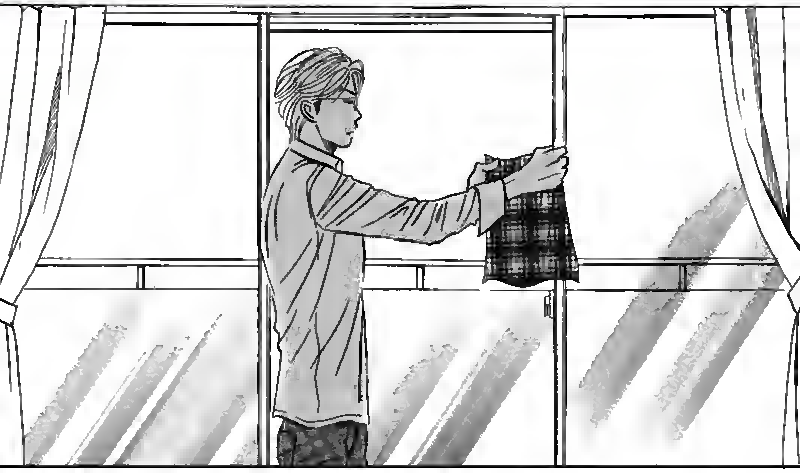
VERY GOOD I'LL BE BACK IN 30 MINUTES
OH
WH-WHAT'S THIS?

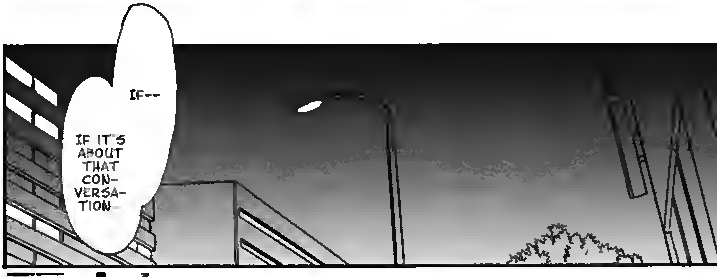
close

FINE

TO TALK ABOUT THAT MAN-- KAZUYUKI-KUN
TO TALK ABOUT PECULIAR INCLINATIONS?

You have taken the safe and righteous path.
This way of life is full of challenges, but— I understand
The idiot pink couple's kind-hearted bride came with this pig-headed old man.
OZON
I COULD USE IT IF I PUT SOMETHING ON TOP OF THE GLUED PART.
I WONDER IF GLUE WOULD STICK...
chuckle



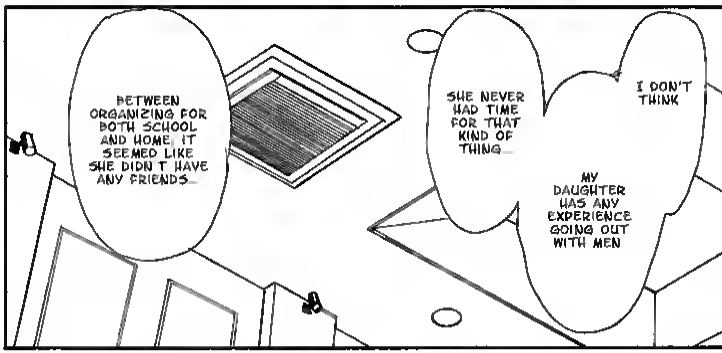

IF--
IF IT'S ABOUT THAT CONVERSATION--

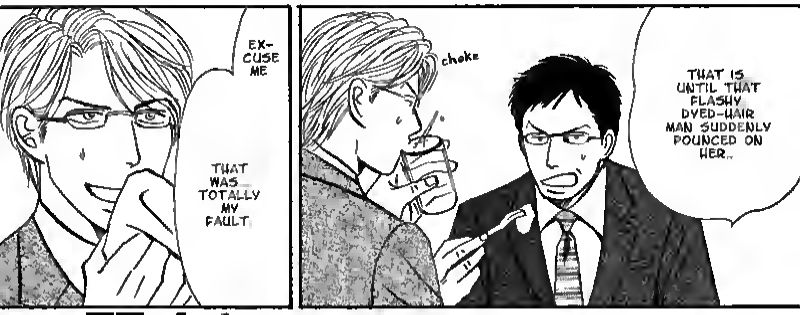
IS IT ALL RIGHT TO BE ONE-ON-ONE WITH A PERSON WHO HAS "PECULIAR INCLINATIONS"?
IF IT'S ABOUT THAT CONVERSATION, MY OFFICE WOULD BE MUCH BETTER
IF YOU DON'T MIND, THAT IS
IT'S KIND OF HARD TO TALK ABOUT KAZUYUKI IN A MEGABANK BRANCH MANAGER'S OFFICE.
IF THE CONVERSATION BECOMES UNSEEMLY, THERE'S A LOCKED OFFICE.

THIS IS WHERE I MET KAZUYUKI-KUN.
TODAY'S MY DAY TO MEET UP WITH WORK COLLEAGUES
WE HAVE A RESERVATION AT THIS PLACE
WELL, I'M HARDLY

SO THESE CONNECTIONS AMONG COLEAGUES ARE IMPORTANT EVEN THOUGH WE'RE ALL BUSINESS RIVALS
RIGHT NOW, EVERYONE'S SUFFERING FROM THE RECESSION.
WE FREELANCERS GET TOGETHER TO TRADE GOSSIP
AND PICK UP BUSINESS

HEY TOMODA, ABOUT THE OTHER DAY...
OH- YES.
THIS ISN'T A DUBIOUS PLACE.
TO-MOR-ROW, I'LL BRING IT TO-MOR-ROW
THIS IS REALLY GOOD. PUT SOME OF THIS SAUCE ON IT.


BETWEEN ORGANIZING FOR BOTH SCHOOL AND HOME, IT SEEMED LIKE SHE DIDN'T HAVE ANY FRIENDS...
SHE NEVER HAD TIME FOR THAT KIND OF THING...
I DON'T THINK MY DAUGHTER HAS ANY EXPERIENCE GOING OUT WITH MEN


EX-CUSE ME
THAT WAS... TOTALLY MY FAULT.
choke
THAT IS UNTIL THAT FLASHY, DYED-HAIR MAN SUDDENLY POUNCED ON HER...

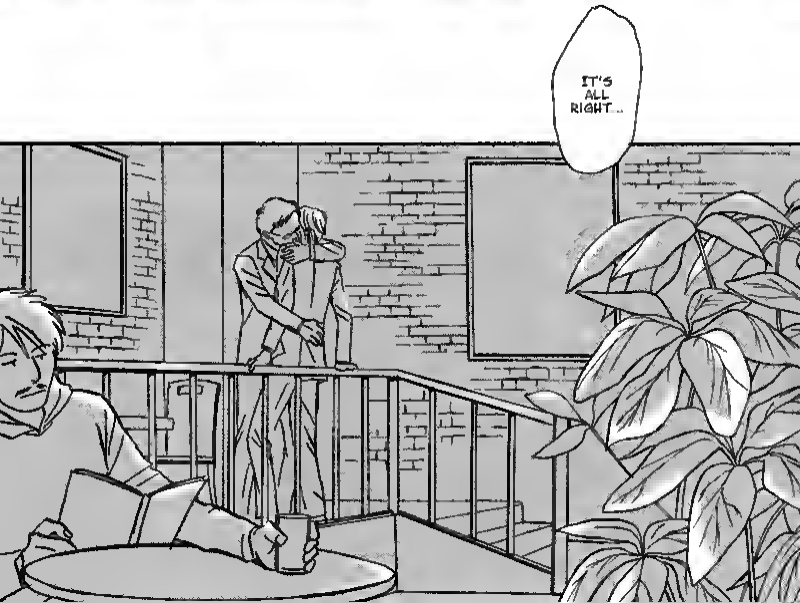
HE HAS A GOOD FACE BUT SOMEHOW HE LOOKED LIKE A NERDY BUMPKIN
Nice to meet you
NO MATTER WHERE I TOOK HIM AND NO MATTER WHAT HE WORE HE WAS ALWAYS JUST WHO HE IS
SO I MADE HIM CHANGE HIS HAIR AND HIS CLOTHING AND I TOOK HIM OUT TO VARIOUS PLACES AND TAUGHT HIM HOW TO HAVE A GOOD TIME--BUT
A SINCERE AND GENUINE MAN
MAYBE
MAYBE I WOULD THINK THE SAME OF HIM
HOW-EVER
THAT'S RIGHT YOUR HANDKER-CHIEF
THE OTHER DAY I REALLY MADE A MESS OF YOURS SO I REPLACED IT
EH? OH
IT WASN'T A NICE HAND-KERCHIEF OR ANYTHING... YOU BOUGHT ME A NEW ONE?
AS YOU CAN SEE
HOW'S YOUR FINGER?
OH
IT'S A CUTE PINK ONE!

WH-
WHAT IS THIS PLACE? A SECRET CLUB? IS SOME SLEAZY PERFORMANCE ABOUT TO START?
HITTING PEOPLE WITH WHIPS AND THE LIKE?
WHAT KIND OF STUDYING HAVE YOU BEING DOING?
THAT KIND OF PERVERTED PLAY IS FOR ELITE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND BANKERS
A RESTAURANT? A BAR?
DURING THE DAY THE FIRST FLOOR HAS CREATIVE CUISINE AND THE SECOND FLOOR IS A JAZZ BAR
N-NO I WOULDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO IN A PLACE LIKE THAT
WOULD A BAR LOUNGE FREQUENTED BY YOUNG LADIES BE BETTER?
DO YOU PREFER PLACES WHERE THE CUSTOMERS ARE ALL HOMOSEXUALS?
THERE ARE DIFFERENT KINDS OF PEOPLE HERE
THE OWNER IS GAY, SO MY FRIENDS AND I COME HERE A LOT
BUT THE MUSICAL SELECTION IS WONDERFUL
DO YOU LIKE JAZZ?
WELL THE TRUTH IS...
IS SOMETHING WRONG?

KAZU-YUKI..
SLAM
WAIT...
WAIT
HE WOULD NEVER
HE JUST GOT MARRIED AND TOMORROW HE'S LEAVING ON HIS HONEY-MOON— AND IN A PLACE LIKE THIS...
YOU'VE GOT IT WRONG IT MIGHT SEEM LIKE THAT, BUT THAT KID— THAT GIRL—SHE'S ALWAYS DOING THAT WITH WHOEVER—
DOESN'T THAT MEAN ANYONE IS FINE!?
LISTEN TO ME!

I PROMISE YOU SO...
KAZUYUKI IS DEFINITELY A MAN WHO CAN MAKE YOUR DAUGHTER HAPPY
LET GO!
KAZUYUKI...
SO PLEASE DON'T DESTROY THEM.
HE WOULD DEFINITELY NOT BETRAY ANYONE.
SO...
NICE TO MEET YOU!
MY WIFE.
YES! HER FIRST APPEARANCE AS A MARRIED WOMAN!

I GET IT, SO
IT'S ALL RIGHT DON'T CRY I GET IT
DON'T CRY


IT'S ALL RIGHT..

SAVE THE FLIRTING FOR HOME, IDIOT COUPLE.
CUT IT OUT
WE DON'T HAVE TO SEE. LET'S GO.
WHAT'S THE RUCKUS ...?
WOO !!
WHOA! EEK!
LIVE
LET'S GO HAVE A DRINK
ON THE FIRST FLOOR

NORI-TAKE-SAN--
HM?
GETTING SO CLOSE LIKE THIS...
WE DON'T EVEN NEED TO DRINK
BECAUSE DOWN HERE ON THE FIRST FLOOR, IT'S COLD AND EMPTY
YOU DON'T MIND IT DISTASTE-FUL?
WHAT IS?
HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN ABOUT MY "INCLINA-TIONS"?
I WOULDN'T DO IT WITH JUST ANYBODY, RIGHT?
YEAH
THAT'S WHY IT'S DISTASTE-FUL.
LET ME GET SOME COFFEE...
DON'T GO
SO FOR YOU, WHEN YOU'RE LONELY, ANYONE WILL DO?
EVEN A MAN?
AREN'T YOU SPE-CIAL?

I'D FORGOT-TEN
creak
creak
creak

creak
creak
YOU DON'T HAVE TO TOUCH MINE...
.....

UHN
.....
I'M
AH
I'M COMING
haa
haa
UH
haa
I
.....
AH
I CAME FIRST

HUH?
PULL
UH
MM
AH
OH DEAR
HUH?

NICE MORNING
INDEED
...BUT I'M SORRY I GOT YOUR SHIRT DIRTY THE CLEANING BILL...
I CAN WASH SOMETHING LIKE A T-SHIRT AT MY PLACE
WELL, WE'LL PART HERE...
WHAT? BUT WE CAN GET A TAXI TOGETHER
I'M DROPPING BY WORK SO I'M GOING ON FOOT FROM HERE
LET ME RETURN YOUR HANDKERCHIEF I TOOK IT IN THE CONFUSION LAST NIGHT
BUT ISN'T IT STAINED WITH YOUR MUCUS?

GIVE IT BACK. I'LL WASH IT...
YOU CAN RETURN IT LATER, THEN.
I'M NOT MAKING A SPECIAL TRIP TO RETURN IT.
WILL YOU BE COMING TO MY PLACE?
NOTHING WILL HAPPEN
I'M NOT COMING—
WOULDN'T IT BE GOOD TO JUST GET TOGETHER AND RELAX?
YOU COULD SLEEP OR COOL YOUR HEAD OFF IN THE SHOWER
LET'S NOT MEET AGAIN— JUST LET THINGS GO BACK TO HOW THEY WERE
WE'LL EACH RETURN TO OUR OWN LIVES
WELL THE TAXI'S HERE. HURRY!
HUH? W-WELL...
Yes, it was just a case of lonely homosexuals comforting each other.

この作品のご感想、西田 東先生へのお便り待ってます!
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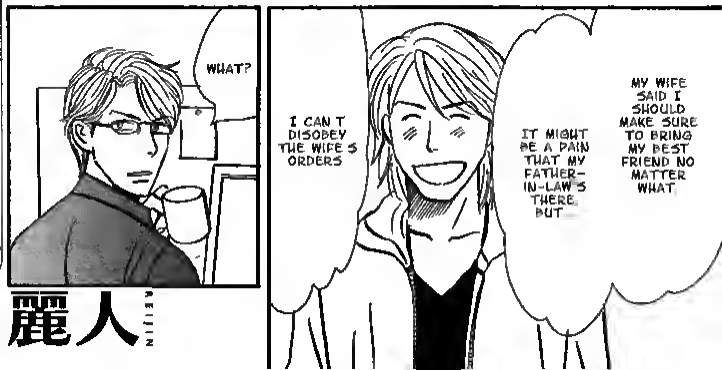

□これもひとつのステップファミリー…？皆さんお幸せに!!
WELL-- MY MAN TOMODA MAY LOOK REALLY COOL, BUT HE'S ACTUALLY A WARM-HEARTED GUY.
I MEAN, TODAY YOU'RE BEYOND COOL, TOMODA. YOU'RE LIKE A STONE. ARE YOU OKAY?
I'M FINE, I'M FINE!
DAD ISN'T TALKING AS MUCH AS HE USUALLY DOES. SORRY ABOUT THAT!
sizzle
SAY, ARE YOU OKAY, DAD? YOU'RE DRIPPING WITH SWEAT!
WELL, CRAP. NO MATTER HOW MANY SHOWERS I TAKE--
WHY ARE YOU GETTING ANGRY?
I DO NOT HAVE A COOL HEAD TOMODA-SAN
I KNOW
The End